

Old Town San Diego Community Planning Group

David Thornton, Chairperson
2115 Kurtz Street
San Diego, California, 92110

Wednesday
Nov 9th
2011

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The MEETING was called to order at 3:35 pm by Chair David Thornton in the Whaley House Courtroom.

Members Present: Chuck Ambers: David Bevilaqua; Thurston Coe; Bruce Coons: Marie Pedrin-Gizoni: Fred Grand: Bruce Johnson: Diane Lowery; Geoffrey Mogilner: Lorna Rice: Fred Schwartz; Richard Stegner; David Swarens: David Thornton;

Members Absent: none

Seats Vacant: Gary Lamble

Guests: Thomas Littell - self & Western Slope Assoc. 619 806-7945 tw_littell@yahoo.com; Patricea Littell - self 619 297-3886 tplittell@juno.com; Mrs. Mona Oge - self 619 985-6690 mona24@aol.com; Debbie Dominek - VAMC 858-642-6441; Joyce Summer - CCDC 619 232-6651 jgsummer@cox.net; Jennifer McCabe - self jlmccabern@yahoo.com; Ian Clampett - City of SD Council Representative 619 233-5282 iclampett@sandiego.gov; Ulysses Dowairg - East Village Comm Development Corp 619 238-0238 dowairg4@sbcglobal.net; Mr. & Mrs. Fortuna - 2008 S.D. Ave Opposed; Rosali Lococo - 2089 SD Ave Opposed; Kristina Waite - VAMC Rd 319 721-4263 kristina.waite@va.gov; Brittney Heinrich - VAMC and resident 619 987-2082; Jeanne Ferrell - Cold Stone-owner 619 543-9057 jeanne_ferrell@yahoo.com; Michael Seidel - Uptown Planner 619 900-5069; Maria Pedace - O.T.A. 858 945-0748; Rose Ann Denton - OTA 619 276-1226 jdnrc@san.w.com; Hania Kinemurb - OTA 619 851-2033 haniak@hotmail.com; Diabne Bugle - OTA 619 276-5968; Caren Kamanski - Old Town Academy 619 574-6225 ckamanski@oldtownacademy.org; Trevor Garb - Old Town Academy 858 488-7471 tgarb@sbcglobal.net; Sam Levine - resident 619 894-0295; Lila Yee - Resident 619 297-2055; Jessica Magers - Fred's 619 858-8226; Tom Donahue - Old Town Academy 619 252-9629 tom@oldtownacademy.org; Joe Naskar - 2044 W. California (VA) opposed 619 889-9125 jhn-sd@cox.net; Lisa Mortensen - neighbor opposed 294-2091 mortensen@sere.com; Janet Houts - neighbor opposed 619 296-2714 mbzkady@aol.com; Rosella Castagnola - neighbor opposed 619 295-5089; Angela Simoneau - VAMC - support 858 232-5560 angela.simoneau@va.gov; Cindy Butler - VAMC - support 858 552-4373 cynthia.butler@va.gov; Karen Schoenfeld-Smith - San Diego Vet Center - Support 858 642-1500; Mary Rushton - former Navy Nurse (vet):resident opposed 619 260-9018 homeport.sd@cox.net; Marsha Duke - Dom Support 619 395-3160; Luis Garcia - Dom Support 760 705-7258; Karen Zachow - neighbor opposed 619 701-0143 zachow@cox.net; Bruce Bwrdon - Old Town Acad 619 787-4663 bwrdonb@cox.net; Robert Schmalfeldt - neighbor opposed 619 296-989 rscartago@cox.net; Gordon Hess - School parent-opposed 619 296-4377 gordyhess@yahoo.com; Viveca Hess - school parent-opposed 619 962-5504 viveca@hess-connect.com; Melissa Shane - VAMC-Support 858 623-1817 melissa.shane@va.gov; Frank Cenrtucia sp? 2050 S.D. Ave-opposed 219 252-8309; Andrew Kaplan - Owner representative 858 625-0100 akaplan@pacventures.net; Mitch Keeler - opposed neighbor 619 980-09786; Chris & Suzie Cole - opposed neighbor 619 491-0208; Judith Castagnola - opposed neighbor 619 299-3839; Don Castagnola - opposed neighbor 619 299-3839; Sanaz Farhadian - Dom support-VAMC 818 634-5995; Antoneua Castagnole - opposed 619 295-2934; Corrine Bivins - Dom Support-VAME 619 395-2497; Christopher Celentino -

Information Items:

- a) **San Diego VA Medical Center**, Chair David Thornton announced that this presentation was for information only and no vote would be taken. Debbie Dominick made the presentation about the proposed Medical Center at the 2100 block of San Diego Avenue and outside the Old Town Community Boundary. She made several points including 1) The Domiciliary would request a 5 year Conditional Use Permit. 2) Patients would be voluntary. 3) Patients must be sober. 4) Patients must be honorably discharged with multiple deployments. 4) The Domiciliary would treat post-traumatic stress and traumatic brain injuries. 5) The Domiciliary is planning 40 beds. 6) The average patient stay is 3.5 months. 7) Patients would not have a history of homelessness.

Discussion with questions and answers followed.

- b) **The Chair announced a vacant seat.** David Thornton announced that Gary Lamble had resigned his resident seat on the OTSDCPG Board.

Non-Agenda Public Comment:

None

Modifications to the Agenda:

None.

Approval of Minutes of Oct 12th 2011:

Fred Schwartz moved and Diane Lowery seconded Motion **9Nov2011#1** to approve the OTSDCPG Meeting Minutes of October 12 th. At 4:32 p.m. this motion was approved with 11 votes for, 3 abstain, and 1 vacant seat.

Treasurer's Report:

None

Action Items:

a) Old Town Chamber Design Committee Presentation.

Simon Andrews of Graphic Solutions presented the November 9, 2011 preliminary concepts for Old Town Way finding & Identification signs. There was a question and answer discussion.

Diane Lowery made and Richard Stegner seconded motion **9Nov2011#2**, To approve the sign design concept which is to be incorporated into the process of the Community Plan Update.

An Amendment, **9Nov2011#3** was proposed by Geoffrey Mogilner and seconded by David Bevilaqua, Amendment **9Nov2011#2** is that the OTCPG recommends the construction, as illustrated, of the "SINGLE FACED PEDESTRIAN DIRECTORIES", designated "E" in the presentation, This construction should be as soon as practical . Further the OTCPG requests that the rest Old Town Chamber Design Committee sign proposals be presented to and infolded with the Community Plan Update process. At 5:14 p.m. this amendment was approved with 12 votes for, 2 absent, and 1 seat vacant.

At 5:20 p.m. this amended motion was approved with 12 votes for, 2 absent, and 1 vacant seat.

The meeting was adjourned about 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Geoffrey Mogilner, Secretary